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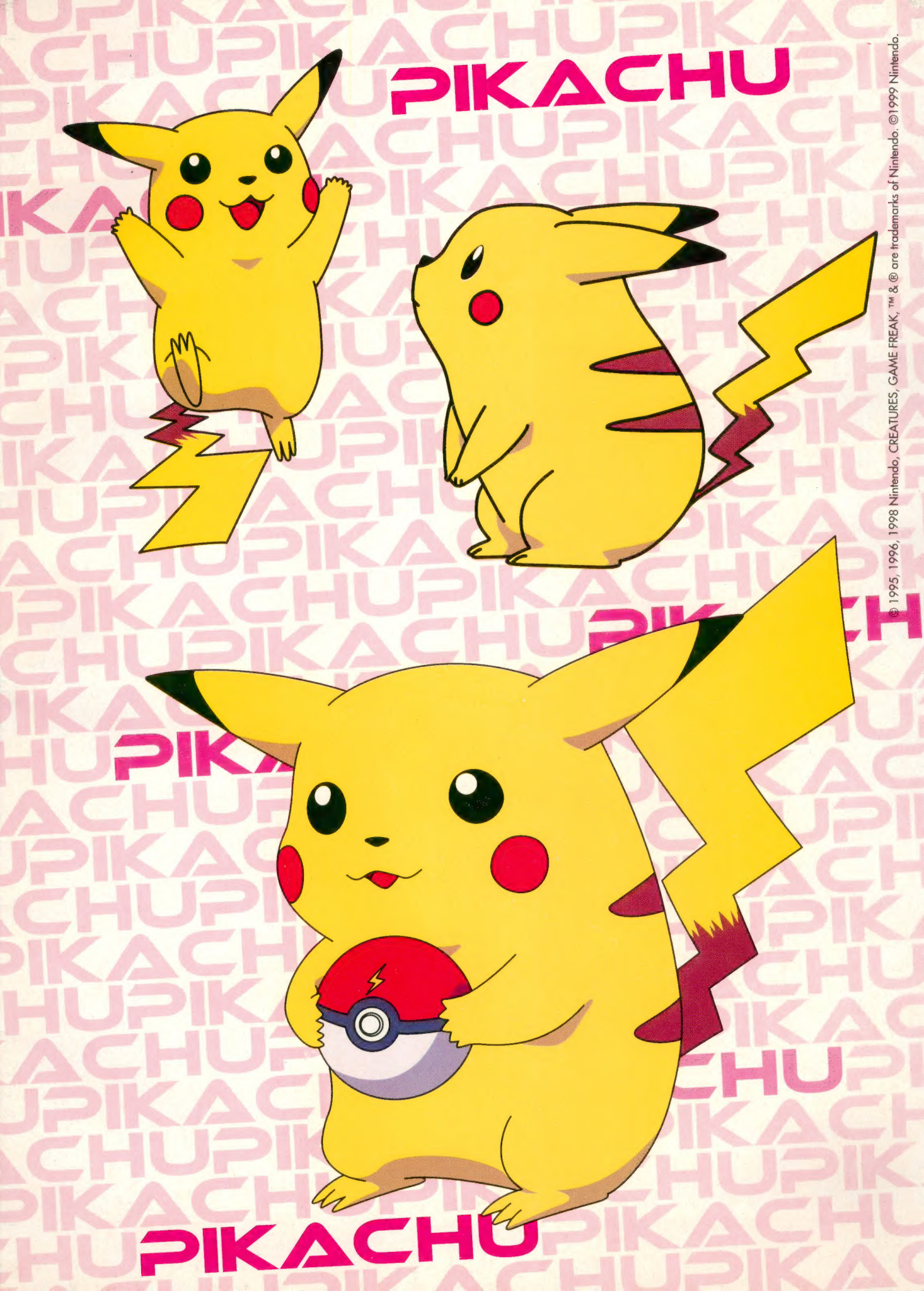
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POWERPUFF GIRLS

Bubbles, Buttercup and Blossom save the day in Townsville, all while Professor Utonium has them under his wing.

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Pikachu & Ash

These three friends have a million and one crazy methods to make money to buy their favorite treat— jawbreakers!

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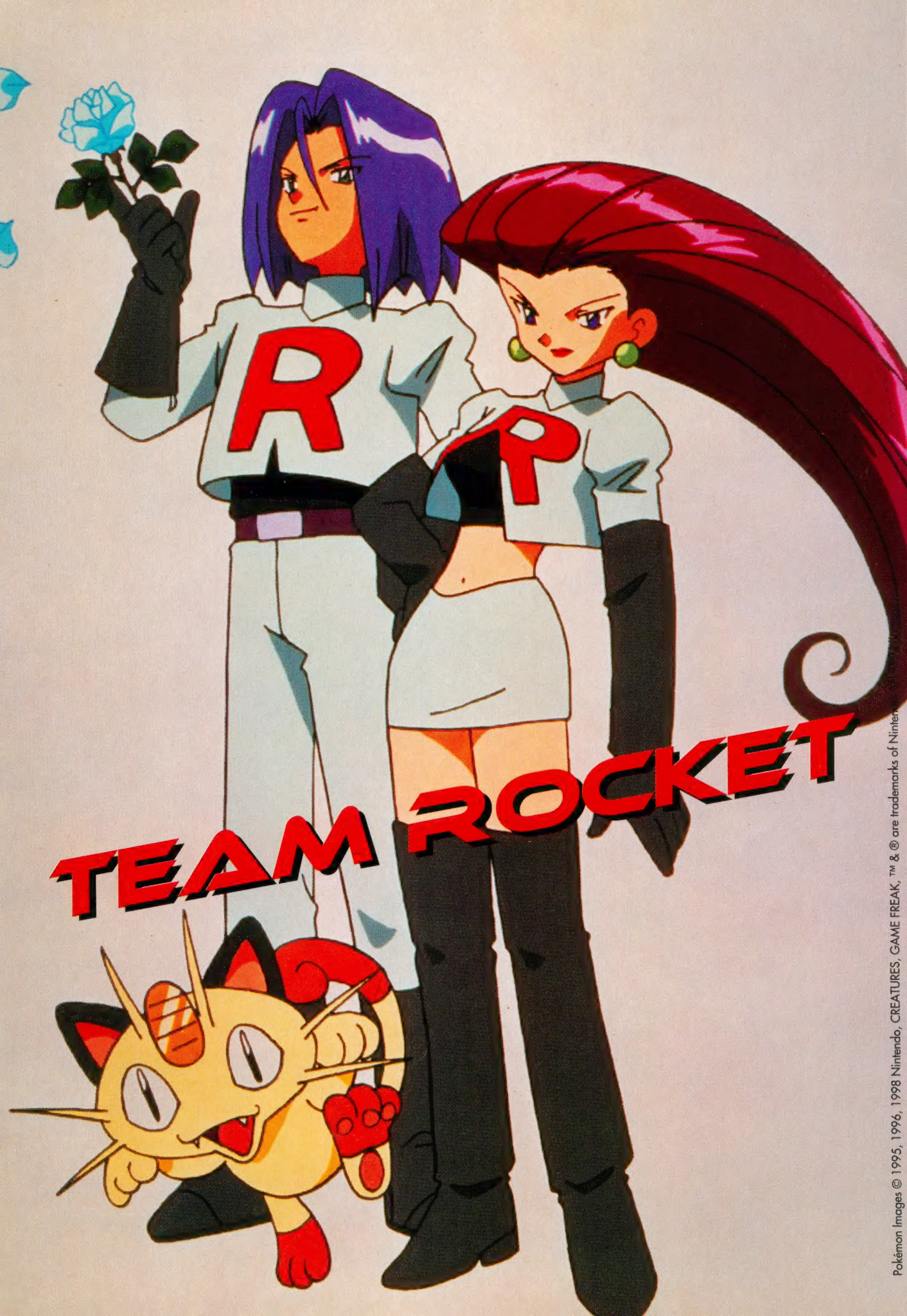

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ASH KETCHEM
A young and brave ten year old boy who wants to become the world's greatest Pokémon Trainer. He travels the globe with his favorite and totally electrifying Pokémon, Pikachu, winning tournament after tournament in his quest for glory.

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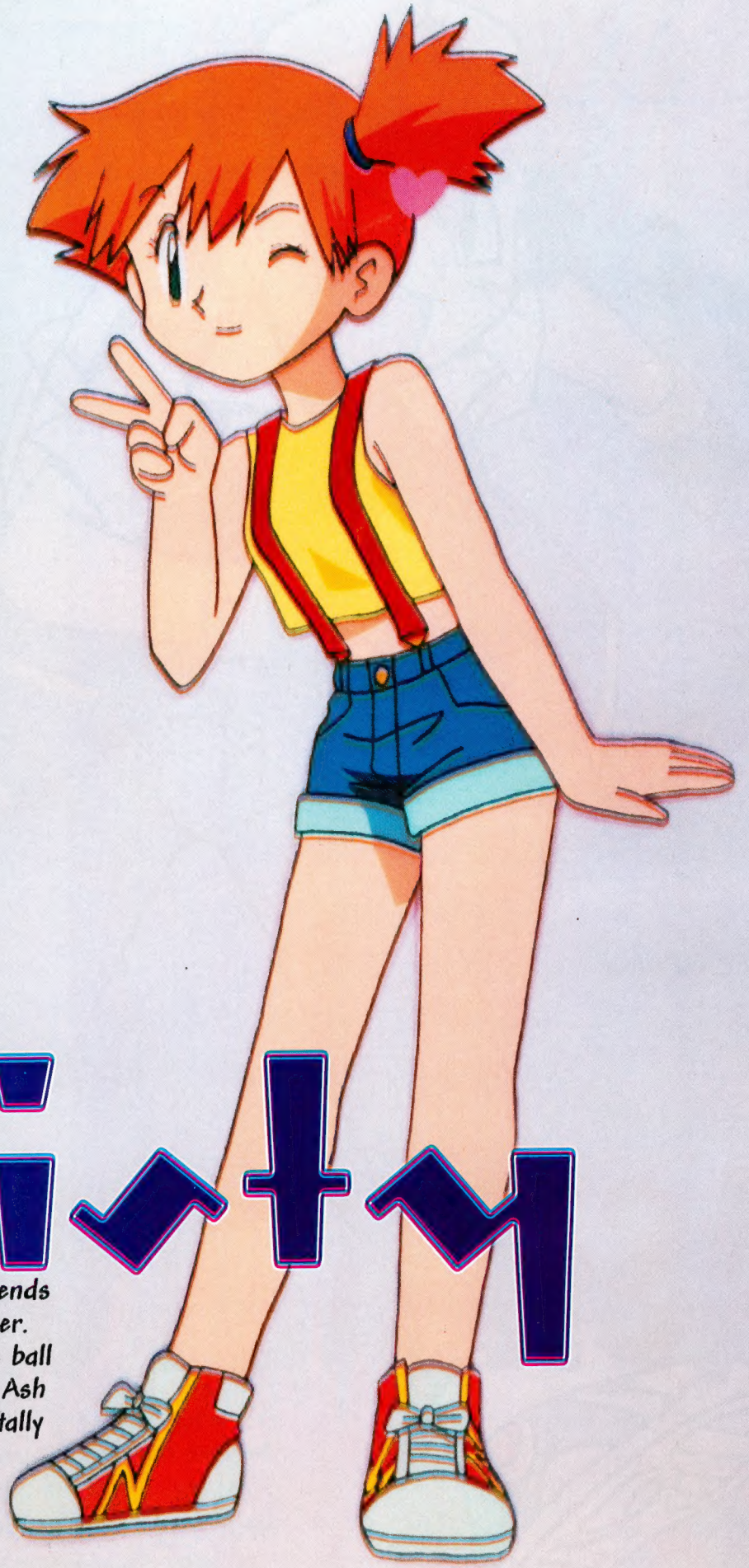

misty

She's one of Ash's best friends and fellow Pokémon trainer. She can sling a mean poke ball too, so beware! Misty and Ash met when Pikachu accidentally burned her bicycle.

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Meet the New Breed of Pokémon

New And Old Characters Come Together in Movie And NEW Topps Trading Cards!

By Josh Izzo

Snubble, Marill, Donphan, Mewtwo and Mew...names that hold mystery, power and intrigue. Who are these creatures, this new breed of Pokémon? Read on, and find out...

Early 1999 Topps Trading Cards jumped head first into the Pokémon universe with **Pokémon Trading Cards: Series 1**. **Series 1** consisted of 90 regular cards including Pokémon character cards and "TV Series" cards and 90 parallel foil cards. Needless to say, the cards were a hit.

Topps knew that Pokémon was huge—and with the new movie Nintendo was going to introduce five new Pokémon for young tariners everywhere to catch. Soon enought, the fun company began work on a **Pokémon Movie Card Series**.

Mewtwo Strikes Back was the first movie the staff at Topps popped in, and watched intently (but not understanding any of the Japanese). They saw the first of the new Pokémon—Donphan. Donphan, the elephant Pokémon make its first appearance in a Pokémon battle between a wandering trainer and Ash at the beginning of the film. What a fight it was! Although Donphan shows tough and determined battle skills, it's leathery hide is no match for Bulbasuar's Solar Beam.

As like all good Pokémon trainers,Topps knew about the elusive Pokémon Mew and Mewtwo. These super-powered psychic Pokémon make their on screen debut in the main feature. Their psychic powers exceed anything that Ash and his friends have ever seen and if Ash thought Gary was a tough opponent then he better watch out for these characters. Needless to say, this awesome film was even more fun by the addition of these two new and extremely rare Pokémon.

The second film, the short feature **Pikachu's Vacation** is a HUGE change of pace from the dark **Mewtwo Strikes Back**. The colorful film opens with an incredibly sweet and bubbly musi-

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cal number and then it leaps right into the story. Within the first ten minutes we were treated to yet another surprise—the addition of two more new Pokémon—Snubble and Marill.

Snubble, a little pink bulldog-looking Pokémon and Pikablu, a small water-mouse Pokémon make their debut as villains who turn into heroes in **Pikachu's Vacation**. Snubble displays a great talent for leadership and enor-

mous strength throughout the film and Marill makes a great splash in it's water race where it beats Squirtle. These two new additions to the Pokémon world will surely give Ash's Dexter quite a work out.

Of course, there are new Pokémon like Houou, Togepi and others that have not been "formally" introduced yet waiting in the wings for Ash...and one can be sure that Topps will be there to catch 'em all! The **Topps Pokémon Movie Card Series** consists of 72 regular cards featuring all of these new Pokémon, 18 Sticker cards, 12 die-cut "Evolution" cards and 72 parallel foil cards. Gotta catch 'em all, right?▲

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Dragon Pokémon

Dragonair

Looking more like a snake or a mystical sea-monster, this lovely creature disposes of its opponents with such devastating attacks as Wrap, Slam, and the ultimate-Dragon Rage.

Dratini

If patience is a virtue, than you'll certainly be a very patient person by the time these evolve to their next stage. One must wait until level 30 is reached before it will happen.

Dragonite

If you were alive a few hundred years ago, you'd say that you probably saw one of these flying over your grass hut.

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Land Pokémon

Geodude

Commonly found in the rocky side of a mountain or cliff, these rocks just tend to let things roll off their backs, until they're mad, of course. Then you should run.

Graveler

If moss doesn't grow on a rolling stone, then you'll never see a single blade of grass on these guys. As they fight they loose chips of their skins. But the best part is that they are replaced by the next fight.

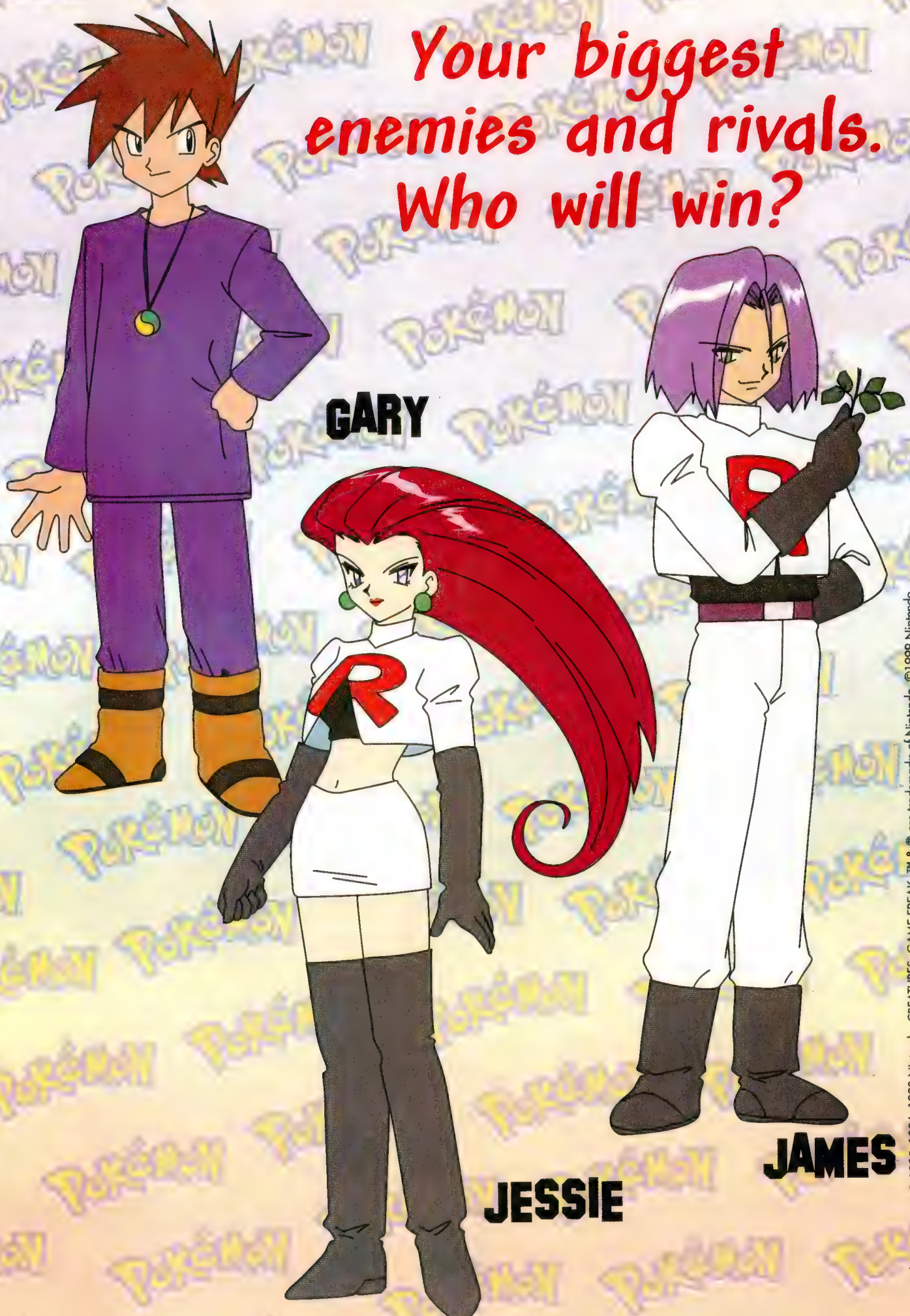
Diglett

The funniest part about Digletts is, that if you don't catch them fast enough, they'll either faint or dash back into their holes. And then you'll never get the out- without a fight.

Golem

These guys look like turtles from another world. They have the head of a turtle, and the body of a mountain. It takes a great deal of their energy just moving around during a fight, but you should never underestimate one of these in a tournament.

Your biggest enemies and rivals. Who will win?



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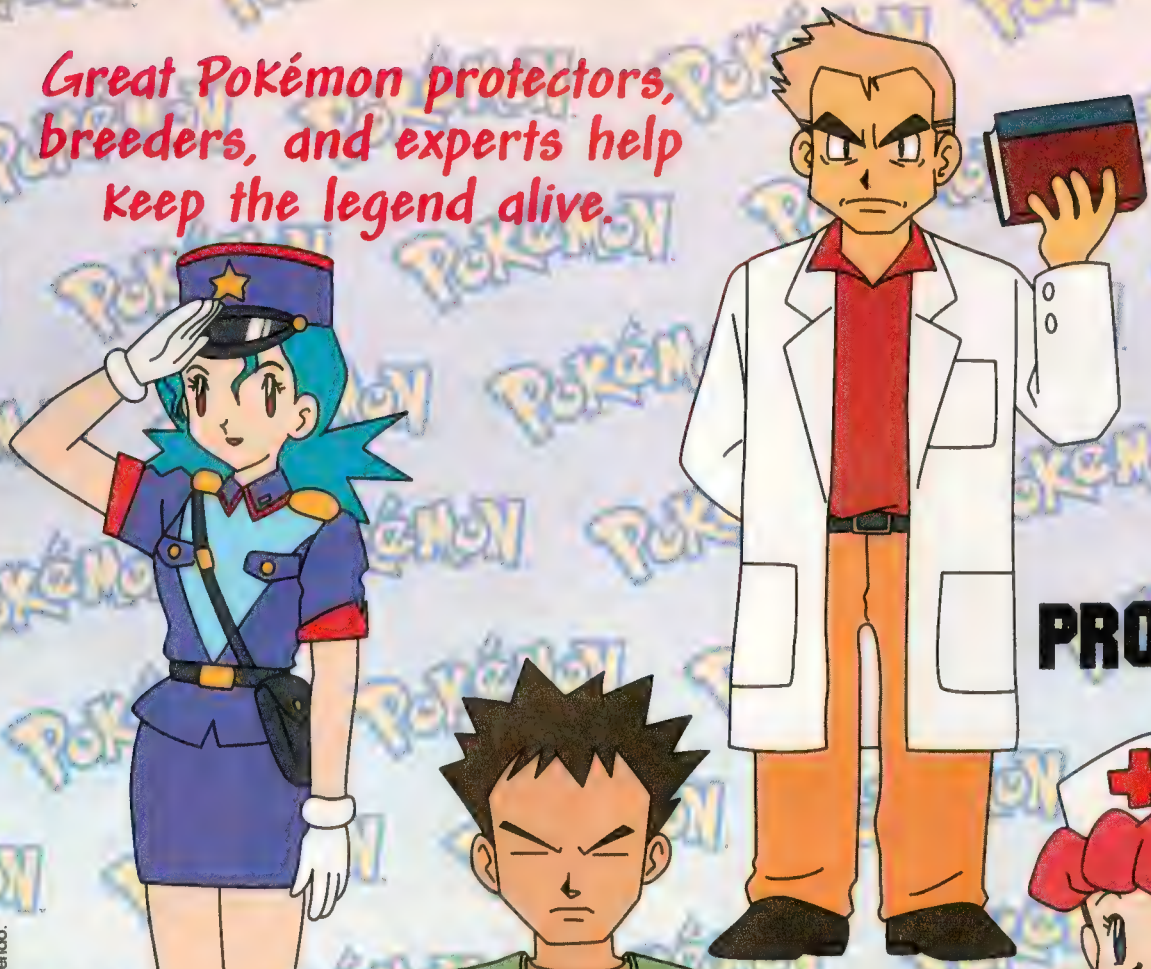

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POKéMON PARADISE!

Every day I can't wait to wake up. I love to watch **Pokémon**. It's my favorite show. Pikachu, Bulbasaur, Squirtle, Charmander and all the Pokémon make me so happy. Please put more Pokémon in your magazine. The more, the better!

Alex K., Age 10
Topeka, Kansas

WHAT LITTLE GIRLS ARE MADE OF?

My favorite Powerpuff Girl is Buttercup. Her tomboy attitude and her strong powers make her the best on the show. Please feature more Powerpuff Girls!

Cadena W., Age 8
Toronto, Canada

ROCKET POWER RULES!

Rocket Power is the best animated series I have ever seen! I love all the cool stunts they do. I have waited a long time for a cartoon of this kind to come along.

Everett H., Age 9
Wadsworth, OH

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This expressive drawing was done by Bobby W., age 7. "Oddish is his favorite Pokémon," he says.

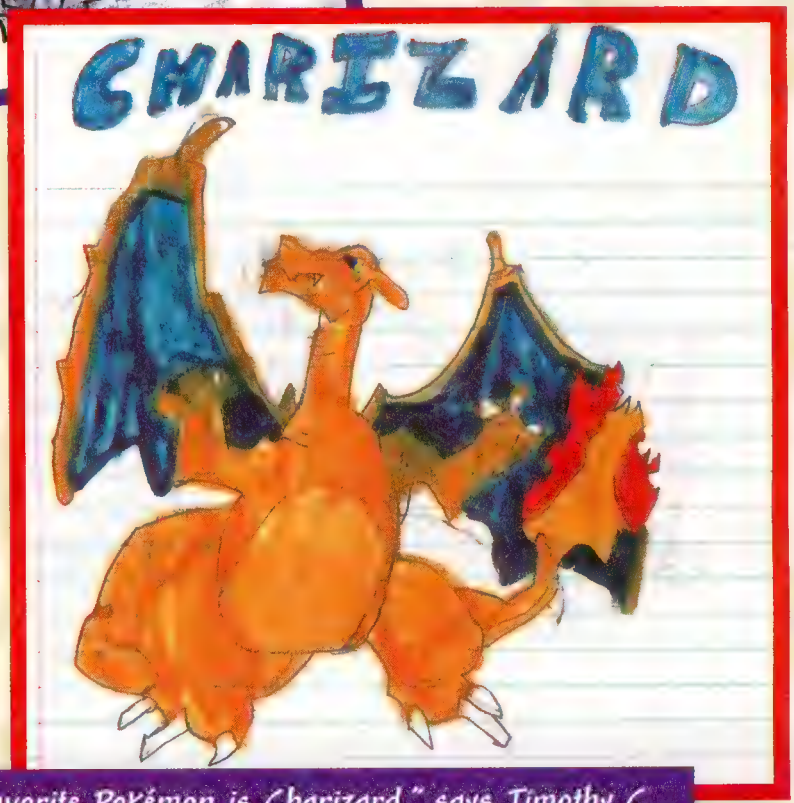
Charizard takes flight with some help from Donavan A., age 9 from Delphi, IN.

Pikachu and Friends was sent in by Francis D., age 13. "Pikachu is my favorite Pokémon. This talented reader is from Quebec, Canada.

"Meowth is so funny," says Anthony R., age 9, from Holmes, New York. "He always loses against Ash."

Little J.M. sent in this great rendition of Blastoise.

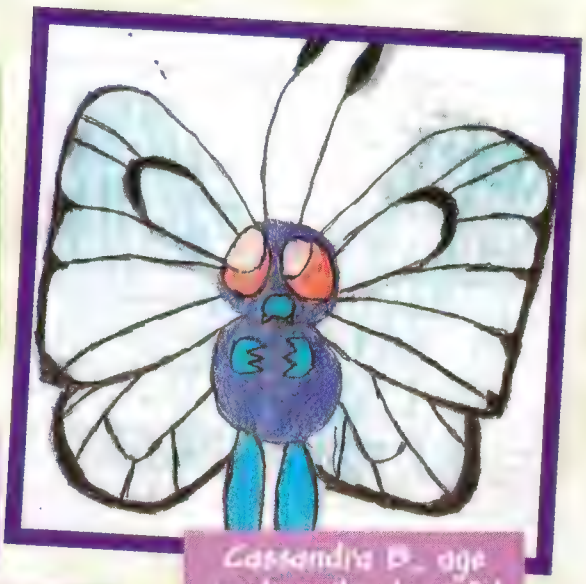
What an adorable little Horsea sent in by Cassandra B, age 10. "Horsea is the best Pokémon," she writes.



"My favorite Pokémon is Charizard," says Timothy C., age 11. He's a Pokémon trainer from Lexington, KY.

"The Powerpuff Girls are cool," says Marie C., age 8, from New Jersey. "Blossom is my hero. I love to watch the Powerpuff Girls fly through the air."

Evan S., age 7 loves to read Faces. He did this drawing of Haunter, his personal favorite character.



Cassandra B., age 10 drew this beautiful Butterfree.

Elvis B. (age 10) rendition of X-Men's Rajin' Cajun (Gambit) is simply the coolest!!!

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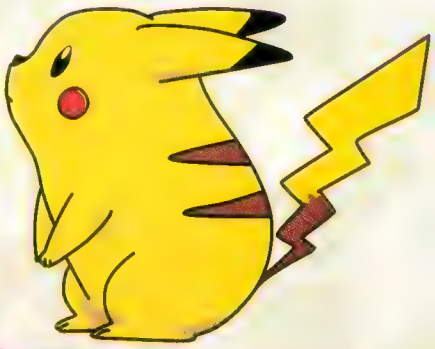

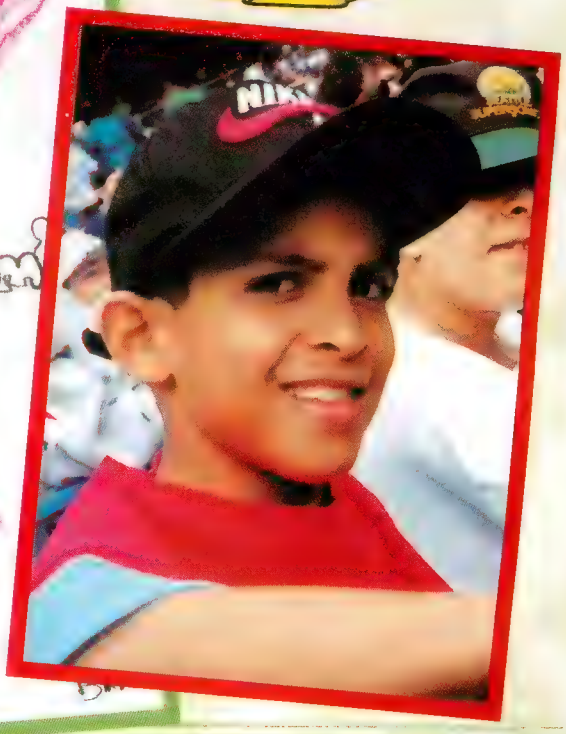

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THE ULTIMATE POKÉMON TRIVIA QUIZ

HOW MUCH DO YOU REALLY KNOW?

So you think you're a real genuis when it comes to knowing everything about the smash TV show and new **Pokémon** movie. Well, here's your chance to prove your "Poké Knowledge" and maybe even learn something new about Ash and company along the way!

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TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. What is the name of the new "Bio-engineered"Pokémon? _____
2. He's Pikachu's best friend and trainer. Who is he?_____
3. Where did Pikachu go on vacation?_____
4. What are Misty's least favorite Pokémon? _____
5. Snubull Pokémon resemble what kind of dog? _____
6. Team Rocket has an outspoken feline friend. What is his name?_____
7. Before Brock joined Ash and Misty what was his involvement with Pokémon? _____

8. There used to be 150 different types of Pokémon. How many are they now? _____

9. Pokémon trainers carry their Pokémon in what? _____

10. How old must Pokemon trainers be? _____

11. Poliwhirl will evolve into what? _____

12. The hand-help, electronic encyclopedia that contains information on all known species of Pokémon is called? _____

13. What is the name of Professor Oak's grandson? _____

14. What new Pokémon that looks like a water mouse? _____

15. Jessie and James make up which "bad" team? _____

16. How many badges are earned before trainers compete in the Pokémon regional championships? _____

17. Who do you have to defeat in order to receive a Pokémon badge? _____

18. What is the name of the ultimate Pokémon expert? _____

19. Which Pokémon looks like a lizard and has more attack power than Bulbasaur or Squirtle? _____

20. What is the name of Pikachu's favorite attack? _____

21. What is the name of the village that the Pokémon League Competition is held in? _____

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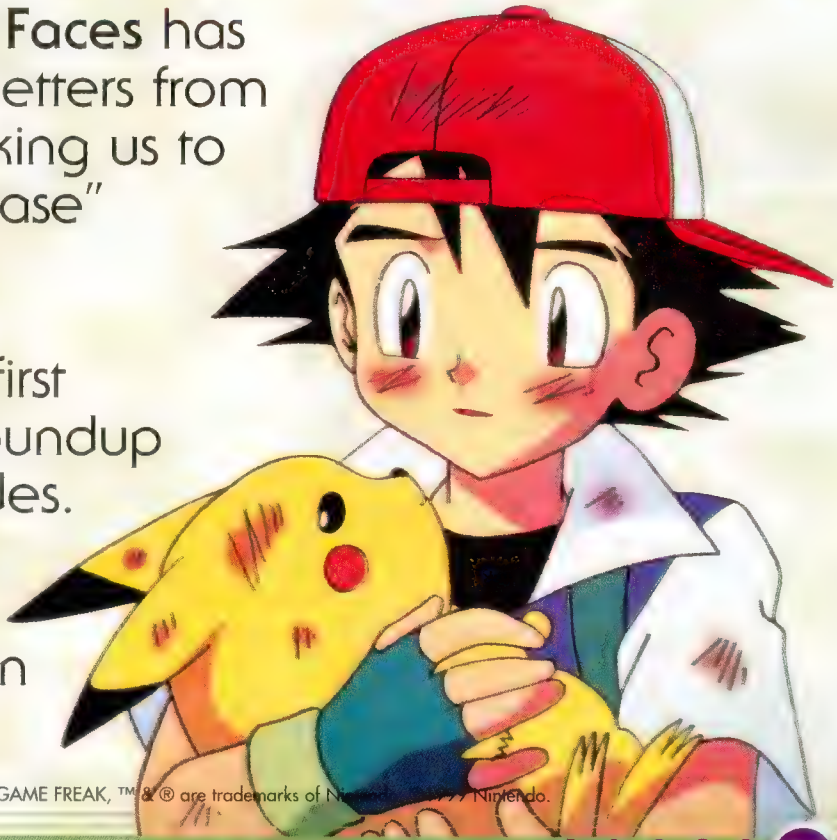
The POKÉMON EPISODE GUIDE FOR THE FIRST SEASON

CHED 'EM ALL?

The editorial staff at **Faces** has received dozens of letters from our loyal readers asking us to "please, please, please" print the complete episode guide to Pokémon's exciting first season. Here's a roundup of the first 57 episodes. If you missed some, these episodes are also available on home video.



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Challenge Of the Samurai

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53. Episode was never aired in the U.S.
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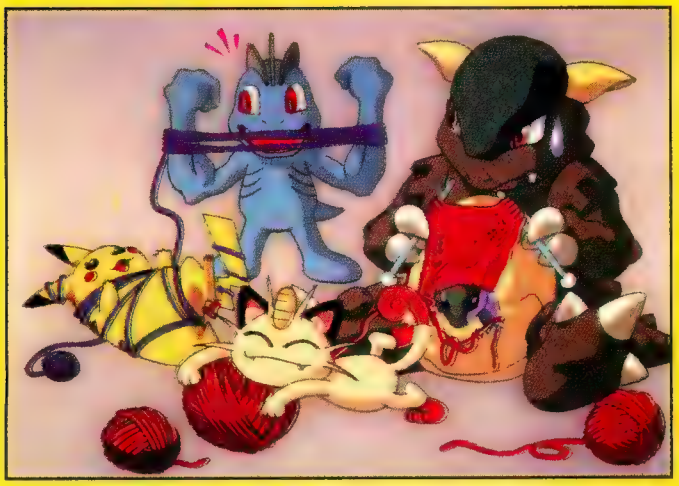

Pokémon

Most people mistake this for Pikachu's name. It really means Pocket Monsters and refers to all the 150 plus creatures of this species.

Pokéball

These round, sphere-shaped objects are used to transport Pokémon from one match to another. They have special enhancements that allows trainers to capture Pokémon or call them back.

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This is the age you must be if you wish to become a Pokémon trainer.

Pokédex

This little devise was created by Dr. Oak to list and categorize each and everyone of the known Pokémon.

Gym Leaders

These are the best of the best trainers at Pokémon schools around the world. In order to win a Pokémon badge, you must first beat a Gym Leader. Good Luck!

Tournament

A tournament is held between Pokémon trainers to compete for Pokémon or badges. A tournament is also used for fighting and capturing newly discovered Pokémon.

Pikachu

Pikachu is a lovable little Pokémon who can give off a 10,000 volt charge. His trainer is Ash, a 10 year old boy who wants to be the best Pokémon Trainer there is.

Special Attacks

These devastating finishing moves differ from Pokémon to another. A special attack is often used at the end of a match to completely blow away your opponent or to capture a weaker Pokémon.

Trainer

A person who is responsible for the well being, teachings, and training of Pokémon.

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POKÉMON IS TOP-SELLING COMIC IN AMERICA!

Viz Comics Catches Success

Cartoons, game cards and the movie still not giving you enough Pokémon? Then you just have to check out Viz Comics' Pokémon Comics. Odds are, you probably have already, since Pokémon is now the biggest selling comic in America! That's right—bigger than the X-Men, bigger than Superman, bigger than Spider-Man!

Viz's first Pokémon issue (**Pokémon: The Electric Tale of Pikachu #1**) sold out immediately and has had ten printings, selling a total of over 200,000 copies, with no end in sight.

By Danny Fingeroth

Wizard, the foremost comics market magazine, ranked the first printing as the most collectible comic in America! Comics Buyers Guide, another observer of the field, calls the comic: "loads of fun...a rich fantasy with loads of appeal for both boys and girls."

Pokémon Comics were originally printed in Japan, where they are also top sellers. Then, like the rest of the Pokémon phenomenon, they caught on like wildfire here in the good ol' U.S.A.!

If you haven't tried Pokémon comics, you should. In addition to comics shops, they're also available at a wide range of stores, including Target, Blockbuster, Warner Bros. Studio Stores, Babbages, Waldenbooks and Toys 'R Us. ■

This Pokémon comic, **The Electric Tale Of Pikachu** is one of the best-selling comics in America today.

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Pokémon at Play!

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CATCH POKÉMON IN CYBERSPACE!

By Danny Fingeroth

Go to a typical internet search engine and do a search for POKéMON. You'll come up with more information than even the fiercest Pokémon fanatic might be able to handle.

Yahoo has 102 Pokémon site matches. AOL Search has 1,049. And Excite gives you—get ready for some heavy-duty clicking—31,086 sites that can tell you about the pocket monsters that have taken the world by storm!

The king of all these sites, of course, is the official Pokémon site run by Nintendo. On that site, you can get news and views about Pokémon Tournaments, Pokémon Trading Cards, Pokémon cereal and candy, Golden Books' Pokémon series, Pokémon music CD's, Viz's Pokémon comics and more. Nintendo certainly provides a lot here to keep you happily busy.

So what are all those other sites? Mostly, they're unofficial web pages put up by dedicated Pokémon fanatics. While these sites aren't connected with or sanctioned by Nintendo and official Pokémondom, they are passionate and fueled by the contagious enthusiasm that Pokémon excites in people.

For instance, there's **Pokémon Mania**, which gives an episode list, station list and lyrics, as well as video and card game information. Then there's **Pokémon Palace**, which has codes, an art gallery, adoption center, downloads, chats and message boards.

> Now you can live in an "all-Pokémon" all the time online world. But do your homework first!

So now you can live in an all-Pokémon all the time online world. But you might want to save a few minutes to do you homework.

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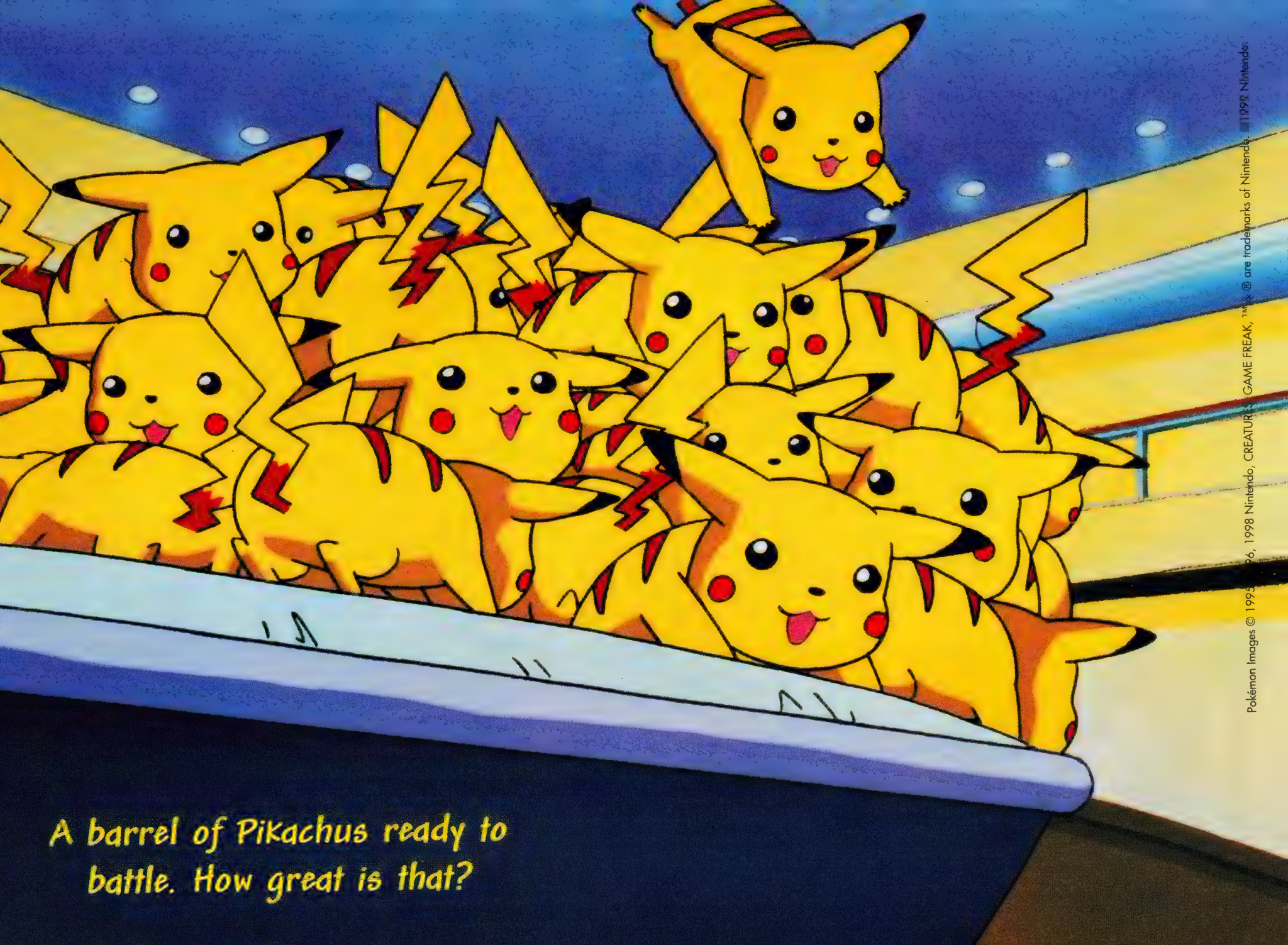
TOY STORY 2
LIGHTYEAR
The toys are back in town! Old and new friends unite in this great new adventure.

Dexter (a boy genius) works in his bedroom laboratory on experiments. Watch out for his sister (Dee Dee) she tries to ruin everything.
DEXTER'S LABORATORY
(photo credit): cartoon network



A barrel of Pikachus ready to battle. How great is that?

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POKÉMON WORD SEARCH FUN

25 WINNERS WILL BE CHOSEN!

Clever little Pokémon characters—new and old are hiding and just waiting to be found by you. How many can you catch? Look for other words associated with Pokémon, too!

The more you find, the better trainer you will be. If you solve the puzzle and mail it back to us by **February 20, 2000** you MAY even win a cool prize from your friends at **FACES.** 25 Winners will be selected at random among the correct entries received. Good luck!

HERE'S HOW THE PUZZLE WORKS:

Circle the 15 answers below. Words can be found horizontally, vertically and diagonally.

1. Pokémon
2. Meowth
3. Jessie
4. James
5. Brock
6. Trainer
7. Charmeleon
8. PokéBall
9. Ash
10. Pikachu
11. Snubull
12. Mewtwo
13. Pikablu
14. Rattata
15. Misty

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HE'S HIP TO BE SQUARE

SpongeBob SquarePants Finds a Home on Nickelodeon

By Carrie Fascia

Only in the underwater world of Bikini Bottom can you find the most loveable sea sponge around. Who else could it be but SpongeBob SquarePants? As one of the newest residents of Nickelodeon television, SpongeBob is having a grand time working his dream job as a fry cook at the Krusty Krab and living in his fully furnished, two bedroom pineapple with his pet snail Gary. And although SpongeBob mean well, he always seems to get himself (with the help of his friends sometimes, too!) in a pickle!

So who else lives on the bottom of the Pacific Ocean with SpongeBob? Take a look. Sandy Cheeks: SpongeBob is just nuts for this squirrel with a taste for adventure. And Sandy proves just how adventurous she is by living in an oxygen-filled dome in Biking Bottom. Sandy is SpongeBob's favorite pal and when these two get together, that's when the real adventures begin!

Patrick Star: Patrick is SpongeBob's best friend. Although he's not the sharpest pencil in the box, he is always there to lend a hand or give some much needed advice. And he just happens to be one of the funniest residents of Bikini Bottom.

Squidward Tentacles: He's the crabbiest neighbor on SpongeBob's block and just happens to work at the Krusty Krab too. This guy is a real complainer—mean, whiny and stuck up! But he can play a mean clarinet, and SpongeBob is one of his biggest fans. Who knows, maybe deep down Squidward is really a nice squid...but don't hold your breath!

Mr Krabs: As the owner of the Krusty Krab Mr. Krab has developed an intense love for money and is quite the business man. He loves money and hates Plankton his fast food arch enemy, owner of The Churn Bucket. So, are you ready for a visit to Bikini Bottom yet? If so, brush up on your bubble-blowing skills—it's a real art form down there!

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS LOVES HIS JOB AS A FRY COOK AT THE KRUSTY KRAB.

Photo credit: Courtesy of Nickelodeon

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS AND HIS FRIENDS HAVE FUN IN THEIR HOMETOWN OF BIKINI BOTTOM.

Courtesy of Nickelodeon

Jessie and James put the word "bad" in the term "bad guys." Team Rocket couldn't catch a cold in the middle of winter, much less expect to catch all 150 plus species of Pokémon. They're dreaming big time!

Wouldn't you call Team Rocket two of the craziest villains the world has ever known? Thousands of viewers think this description fits them like a well worn glove.

It seems every time Terrible Threesome think their plan is about to work, something goes wrong and Team Rocket heads home empty handed. If you don't know by now, Jessie and James work for a very greedy man who is head of a major corporation. His goal is to take over the world and Pokémon.

He doesn't need just any Pokémon to do this, he wants Team Rocket to find only the rarest of the rare Pokémon. Pikachu is one Pokémon Team Rocket is always trying to steal away from Ash.

WILL TEAM ROCKET EVER WIN?

To help Jessie and James in their mission, this man, whose name is kept a secret, sends along his very own personal Pokémon, Meowth. But if he needs Pokémon to take over the world, why would he send one he already has?

Simple, Meowth couldn't find his way out of a paper bag with the bottom cut out. That's what makes him the perfect Pokémon companion for Team Rocket.

The only thing going for Team Rocket is their strategy for finding and catching Pokémon. You see, their strategy has them going all over the world following Ash and his able companions.

All of their plans involve stealing Pokémon caught by Ash while he's not looking. Team Rocket isn't going anywhere until they've at least won one fight. And at the rate they're going, that day may never come.

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WIN! 25 SUPER POKÉMON PRIZES!

The **Pokémon** phenomenon has exploded around the globe. The TV show, video games, trading cards, comic books and now—the HOT new movie is everywhere! You just can't get away from Pokémon fever, can you?

Well neither can we! So that's why **FACES** recently acquired a ton of super Pokémon prizes to give away to you—our loyal readers!

Once again we've got toys, stickers, t-shirts, bubblepens, pencils, hats, trading cards and key chains! **FACES** has dozens of different sought after Pokémon prizes just waiting to find a new home.

For your chance to win, please fill out the coupon below and mail it back to us before **February 20, 2000**. Hurry and good luck!

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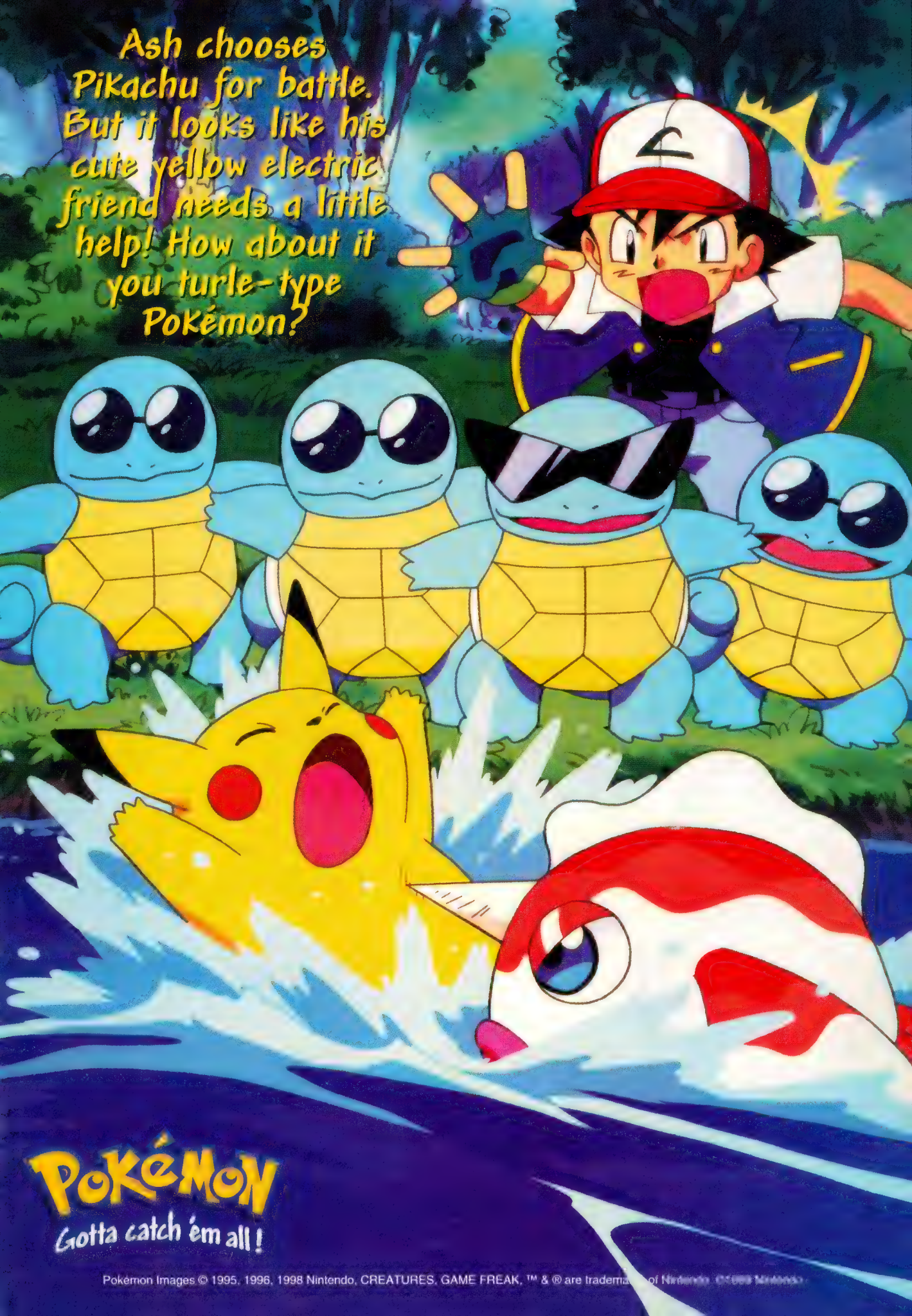
Ash chooses Pikachu for battle. But it looks like his cute yellow electric friend needs a little help! How about it you turle-type Pokémon?
Pokémon
Gotta catch 'em all!
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The adventures of a boy and his trusty computer and their unique way of becoming heroes.
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NEW DAWN

The Jetsons

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The cartoon world's first space family. George, Jane, Judy and Elroy Jetson.

BATMAN BEYOND
ARCH-VILLIANS BEWARE!
You can't hide from the Gotham City's caped crusaders! So don't even think about it, okay?
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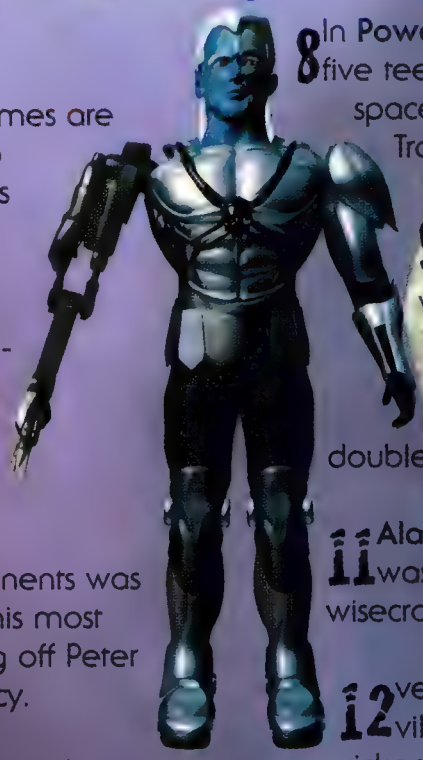
25 Villain Facts

Villains—you gotta love 'em. They're so good at being evil! Here's 25 straight facts on your favorite bad guys.

By Mary Jekielek Insprucker



1 In **Pokémon**, Jessie and James are the villains always trying to catch Pokémon. Ash and his gang are the heroes that manage to stop them.

2 The Riddler is a famous villain from the **Batman** series. His well-known line was, "Riddle me this, Batman."

3 One of **Spider-Man**'s opponents was Green Goblin. Some say his most despicable act was knocking off Peter Parker's girlfriend, Gwen Stacy.

4 In the **Avengers** comic, the evil Whirlwind spins at superhuman speed. He achieves speed close to that of sound. His reflex and reaction time are near instantaneous.

5 Melter causes **Iron Man** grief by using his melting ray to loosen molecular bonds. This causes solids to turn to liquids.

6 **The Wizard of Oz**'s witch was portrayed by the actress, Margaret Hamilton. This Wicked Witch of the West could start you on fire or put you to sleep in a field of poppies.

7 **Dr. Doom** hides his corrupt face behind a metal mask. He rules the Latveria nation, but his goal is to take over the world.

8 In **Power Rangers Lost Galaxy** you'll find five teens hard at work. They protect outer space from Scorpius and his daughter Trakeena.

9 William Shakespeare, one of the world's most famous writers, used villains in his stories.

10 **Darth Maul** wiped out Jedi Knights from the galaxy with his double-bladed lightsaber.

11 **Aladdin**'s nightmare was Jafar. Jafar was a sorcerer who's sidekick was a wisecracking parrot named Iago.

12 Even **Snow White** had to deal with a villain. Her problems came from her wicked stepmother who tried to get rid of Snow White with a poison apple.

13 **Dr. Octopus** is a man of science who was transformed when an experiment went horribly wrong leaving him bonded with mechanical arms.

14 Although **Catwoman** was evil, she often flirted with **Batman**, and at one time, some fans thought they might get married.

15 **Powerpuff Girls** Blossom, Bubbles and Buttercup fight to keep the city of Townsville safe. The deprived Mojo Jojo and Fuzzy Lumpkin have other plans.

16 The planet Lexor is named after Superman's arch enemy, Lex Luthor. On

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this planet, Luthor is the hero and Superman is the villain.

17 In the movie **A Bug's Life**, the voice of the villain Hopper was done by the actor Kevin Spacey.

18 The quiet little town of Springfield is often disrupted by Side Show Bob. He is always out to destroy **Bart Simpson**.

19 Brainiac is an extraterrestrail villain. He is an ingenious humanoid computer created by sinister computer tyrants of a distant planet. He is a fearsome foe of **Superman**.

20 **Cruella De Vil** hunts for 101 Dalmatian puppies. She wants to make a coat out of them. How evil is that?

21 Scar was a scheming uncle trying to take over his brother's kingdom in the **Lion King** movie. His voice was done by actor Jeremy Irons.

22 The ruthless Gargamel and Azrael were the villains who tried to turn the **Smurfs** into gold.

23 Dreaded Boba Fett was a bounty hunter in Return of the Jedi. He was the only one in the **Star Wars** universe to find Han Solo easily.

24 **Voltron**'s villain was Lotor. Lotor was sentence to life imprisonment at the maxium security planet Bastille 12. He never spoke at his trail.

25 Darth Vader was so menacing he was capable of strangling people with a thought. In the movie **Star Wars**, the voice of Darth Vader was done by actor James Earl Jones.

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ROCKET POWER

It's extreme friendship meets extreme action! This cool animated show features four fiercely loyal friends who never get tired of chasing the ultimate adrenaline rush.

Smarty Pants

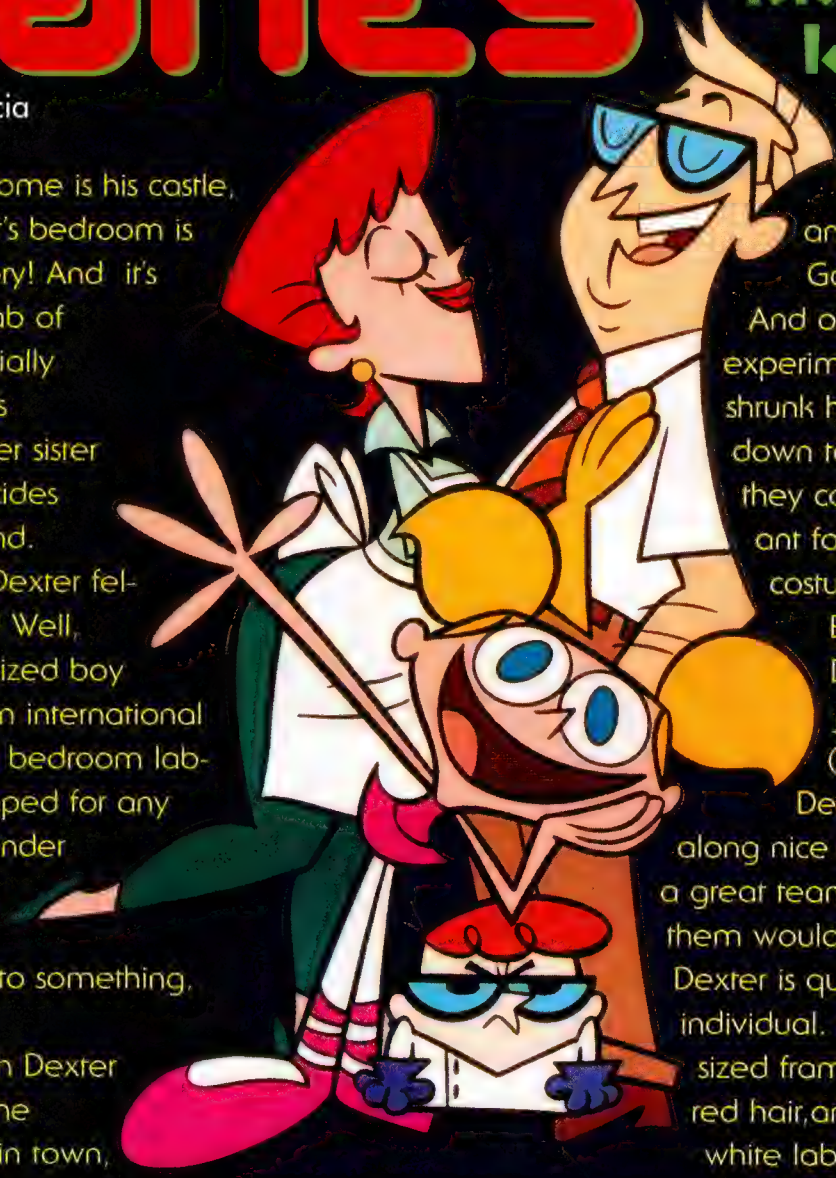
dexter blows the doors off his bedroom laboratory

By Carrie Fascia

If a man's home is his castle, then Dexter's bedroom is his laboratory! And it's definitely a lab of laughs! Especially when Dexter's snooping older sister Dee Dee decides to nose around.

Who is this Dexter fellow, you ask? Well, he's this pint-sized boy genius with an international accent and a bedroom laboratory equipped for any experiment under the sun. And when he sets his mind to something, watch out!

And although Dexter is just about the smartest guy in town, he's not too popular with the kids at school (they're probably just jealous!).



YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT DEXTER THE BOY GENIUS WILL DO NEXT.

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So what kind of experimenrs does Dexter do? Well, this one time he used his "Excellerager" to make himself older so he could stay up and watch late night television, but of course, Dee Dee butted in and messed up the controls and Dexter turned himself into an old man! An old man who was too tired to stay up and watch late night television anyway!

Good going, Dee Dee!

And one of his most fun experiments was when he shrunk himself and Dee Dee down to the size of an ant so they could hang out in his ant farm. They put on ant costumes and had a ball.

Even though Dex and Dee Dee get into jams quite often (mostly because of Dee Dee!), they do get along nice at times. They make a great team, although neither of them would probably admit it!

Dexter is quite a unique looking individual. Aside from his pint-sized frame, he has a head of red hair,and he always wears a white lab coat with purple gloves. Oh yeah, and big black glasses.

He may be a scientific genius, but we never said he was fashionable! You can hang out with them on Cartoon Network. Check your local listings to find out what time the experiments begin!

THE FACES READERS' SURVEY!

YOU COULD Win A Mystery Gift!

Do you have an opinion? Of course you do, and we want to know what you think! Do you absolutely love **Pokémon**? Do you never miss **Powerpuff Girls**? What do you like the best about **Batman Beyond**? What are the cartoon shows you don't like to watch?

Tell us everything. We want to know! Please take your time and fill out the readers' survey and mail (photocopy, okay) it back to:

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20 lucky winners will be selected at random to receive a special superhero mystery prize. It's something that will be absolutely collectible! No purchase necessary. Void where prohibited by law. All prizes will be sent in the mail without prior notification to winners.

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A puppet with attitude. Watch out for Cousin Skeeter, his mischievous ways will get you into trouble every time.
Cousin Skeeter
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Rotten Ralph

The story of a sweet girl and her not-so-sweet cat, named Ralph. But cats can't help it if they are too curious at times.

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It's a Fact!

Compiled by Carrie Fascia

How Much Do You Know About Your Favorite 'Toon Characters? Here's 12 Important Facts You NEED to Know Now!

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1. Lex Luthor has access to every weapon on the planet and he just may need them all in his battle against Superman.

2. Chance Furlong and Jake Clawson are better known as the Swat Kats.

3. Spider-Man's real name is Peter Parker.

4. Samuel Guthrie is better known as Cannonball of the X-Men.

5. Bruce Wayne knows his secret identity is safe with his longtime friend and butler Alfred.

6. Wonder Woman's real name is Diana of Themyseira and she was formed out of clay by her mother, Queen Hippolyta.

7. Supergirl has three awesome powers—super-strength, super-speed and the ability to fly.

8. Aquaman can communicate telepathically with sea life when he is underwater.

9. Snubble, Marill, Donphan, Mewtwo and Mew are some of new and stronger fighting Pokémon.

10. All three PowerPuff Girls have fun names that start with the letter B—Blossom, Buttercup and Bubbles.

11. The Flash sports a big yellow bolt of lightning on his chest.

12. The Power Rangers Lost Galaxy are Leo, Kai, Damon, Kendrix, Maya and Mike.

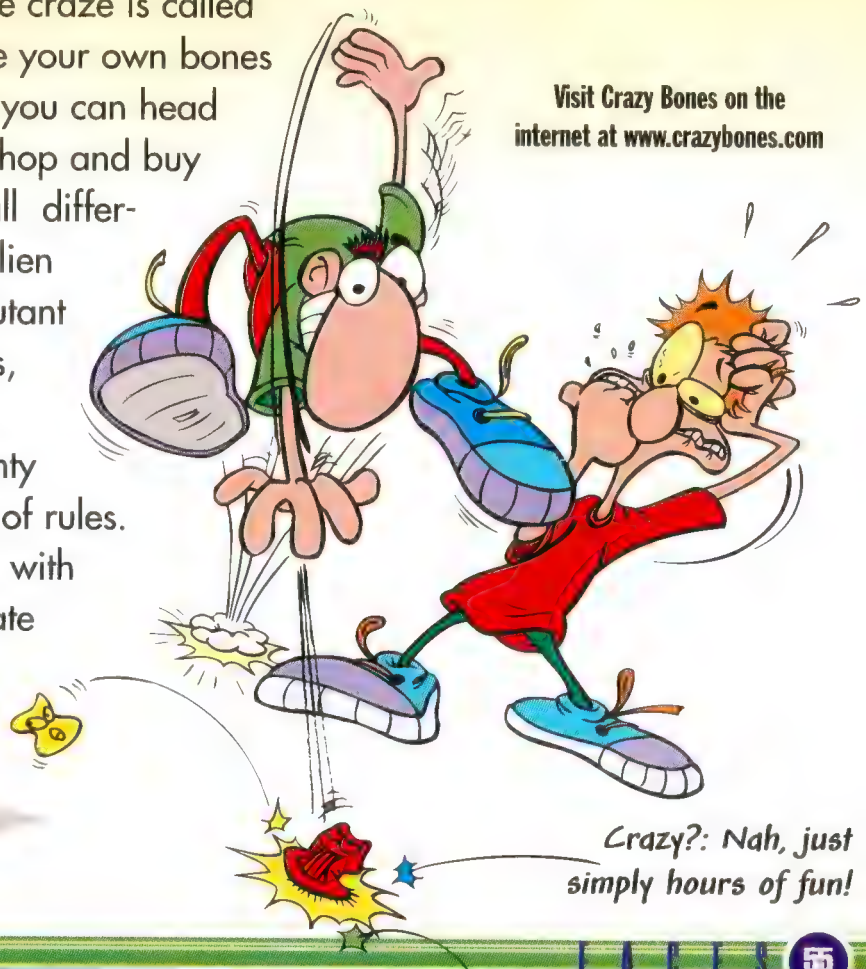
Crazy For CRAZY BONES

How America's Newest Kid Phenom Got Its Start

Two thousand years ago, children in ancient Greece and Rome were playing a game that lives and breathes in this very age of modern man and machine. The game they played then was called Tabas. It involved taking polished animal bones and throwing them strategically around the town square or the common room of one's home and it hasn't changed much since. Today however, the game is played with bones that will make you laugh so hard you'll cry. And all you need to get right into it is a bag of bones and an imagination. Now you are on your way to hours of fun. The name of this new game craze is called CRAZY BONES. You can create your own bones on the Crazy Bones web site or you can head to your local game collectibles shop and buy them buy the pack. There are all different kinds of bones. There are alien bones with big bulging eyes, mutant bones with devilishly scary faces, sports bones, and more.

Each game, and there are plenty of those as well, has its own set of rules. And the best part about playing with crazy bones is that you can create your own games. The fun is guaranteed to never end. It hasn't for the last 2000 years. How can you beat that?

Visit Crazy Bones on the internet at www.crazybones.com



Crazy?: Nah, just simply hours of fun!

Sailing To New Heights With Sailor Moon

By Renee J. Daigle

The animated **Sailor Moon** is one of the best loved children's shows on television today. With its anime and fantasy appeal, parents too, have a hard time turning it off.

But just exactly what is this popular cartoon show about? Sailor Moon is a story about a fourteen year-old girl named Serena. (She is the daughter of Queen Serenity of the Moon Kingdom.) Before the destruction of Queen Serenity's kingdom, she sent a (talking) cat named Luna to assist Serena in her quest... for justice!

Luna teaches Serena about the Imperium Crystal and its very important use: to fight for fairness in the world! The Imperium Crystal has magical powers. And, that unique voltage was able to transform Serena into a sailor-suited fighter... called Sailor Moon.

Sailor Moon and her Sailor counterparts: Sailor Mercury, Sailor Mars, Sailor Jupiter and Sailor Venus use their cosmic powers to confront the evil forces of Queen Beryl and the Negaverse.

Stay tuned! These super heroines are protecting Earth from Queen Beryl's corruption.

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WIN! WIN! WIN!

25 SUPER SAILOR MOON THE SCOUTS LUNA ROCK

Sailor Moon is one of the hottest cartoon series on television today. It also happens to be one of the forerunners in the field of Anime. The characters of **Sailor Moon** are loved by boys and girls from all around the world. So now, thanks again to Kid Rhino for their generous contribution, **Faces** has 25 music CDs to give away to the most devoted Sailor Moon fans of all time. If you love the show, you'll surely want to know the music too.

So, don't delay...reply today! The first 25 readers who mail in their entries on or before **February 20, 2000** will be eligible to win a cool **SAILOR MOON THE SCOUTS LUNA ROCK** CD. Good luck to all!

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DragonBall-Z
The incredible journey of young friends battling for the good of earth against evil forces. It's their trusty Dragonballs that provide power to summon the mighty dragon, who grants them one wish.
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DRAW YOUR FAVORITE CARTOON CHARACTER

Who's your favorite cartoon character? Is it a cute Pokémon like Pikachu or Meowth? Or maybe it's the Powerpuff Girls, Spider-Man or I.M. Weasel? If you love to draw (and we know you do!), we want to see what you have to offer!

Here's how to enter **Draw Your Favorite Cartoon Character:**

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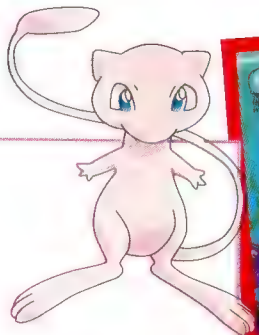

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It's Your Pokémon Adventure

Hang Out With Ash & The Gang!

Welcome to your very own Pokémon adventure. Fill in the blanks with whatever word you like to complete the story. Photo copy this page and play again and again by placing different words on the lines.

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"Hurry up!" Ash said as he stepped off the _____.
"We've got someone new with us on this journey to find _____." Ash said to Misty and Brock.

"Cool!" Misty replied.

"Let's go." Brock added. And soon the foursome was off and running in search of the rare _____. The first thing they had to do before they reached the land of the _____, Ash and his pals had to take a_____, then a _____ and then finally a_____.

After the grueling trip, Ash, Misty, Brock and _____ found themselves in the middle of the _____.

"How can anything live here?" Misty said as she stepped in a pile of _____.

"Be careful," Brock said. "The rarest species of _____ _____ eat that stuff you just stepped in. And if you smash it all, they'll die." It took the gang another hour or two to make it to the center of the _____, where the _____ live.

Suddenly, "Look! There's a _____. I'm gonna add him to my collection," Ash said and took off running after the _____. Misty, Brock and _____ followed closely behind because they know, as Ash does, that the _____ has one of the fiercest _____ attacks of any _____ Pokémon around.

After a bit of running and chasing the _____, Ash finally had him cornered. _____ moved to the right side of the _____ and Misty and Brock cut off any chance of escape into the _____. The _____ knew it was trapped and took a stance showing that it was ready to fight for its freedom.

"I choose you, Pikachu!" Ash threw his Pokéball and from inside came his trusty friend and most reliable Pokémon, Pikachu. Pikachu held his own against the _____ and all of its _____ attacks until an unseen _____ attack left Pikachu stunned. Ash then unleashed _____ to finish the job Pikachu had started, but _____ soon failed too. It wasn't until _____ let loose _____ _____ that the group was able to defeat the _____.

As rightful winner of the contest, _____ got to keep the _____ and train it as _____ _____ very own.

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VULPIX
JIGGLYPUFF
GOLBAT
ODDISH
ZUBAT
GLOOM
PARAS
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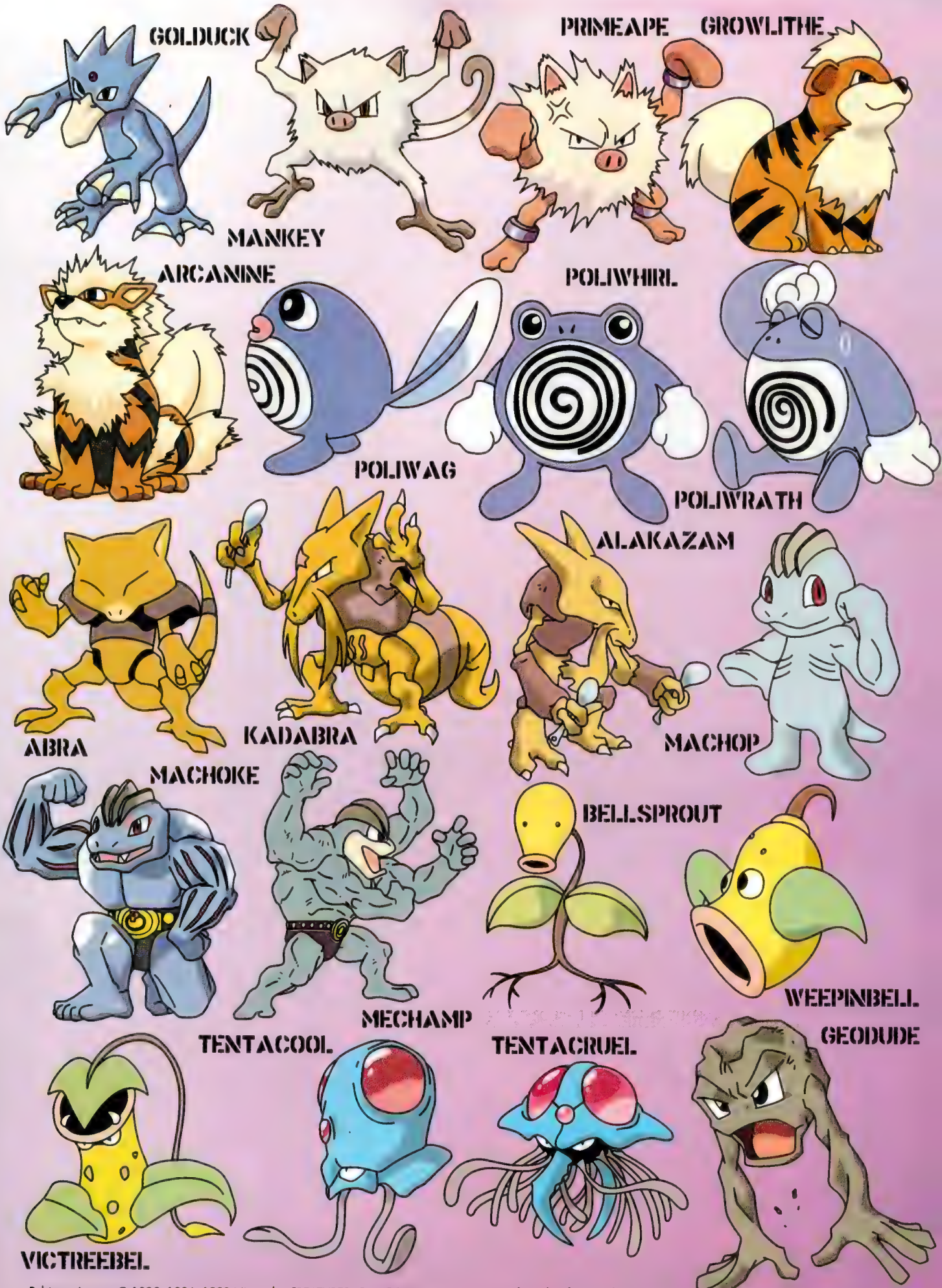

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Hey Scooby-Doo fans. Look what **Faces** has to give away this month. It's **Scooby-Doo** music CDs! Scooby and his cool mystery-solving gang star in their second animated feature, **Scooby-Doo And The Witches Ghost**. In the film Scooby gets his own ghoulish back-up band, the Hex Girls to sing harmony with. This hip-sounding CD includes songs from the movie, plus new ones that were inspired by none other than you-know-who—your favorite cartoon canine!

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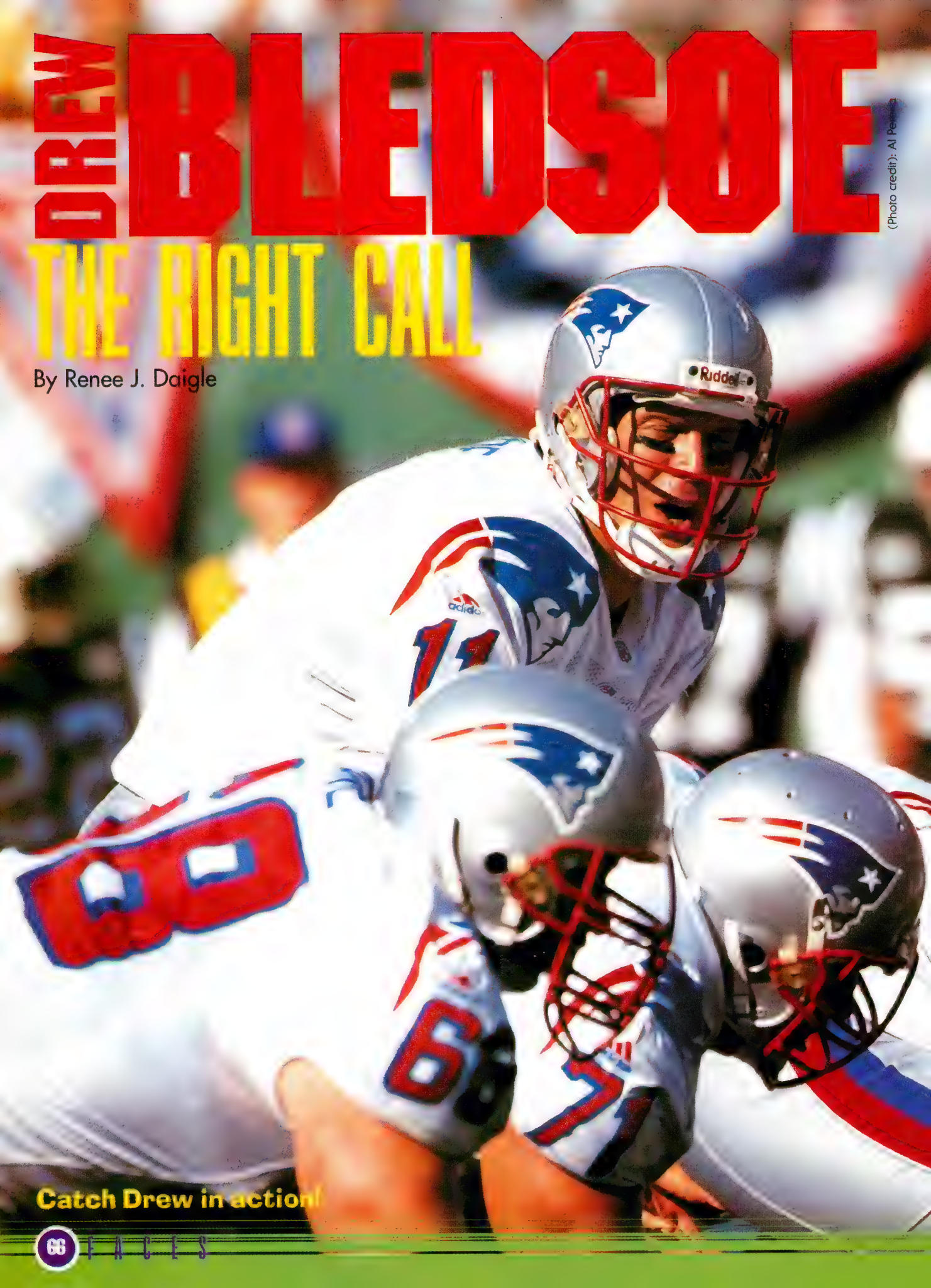

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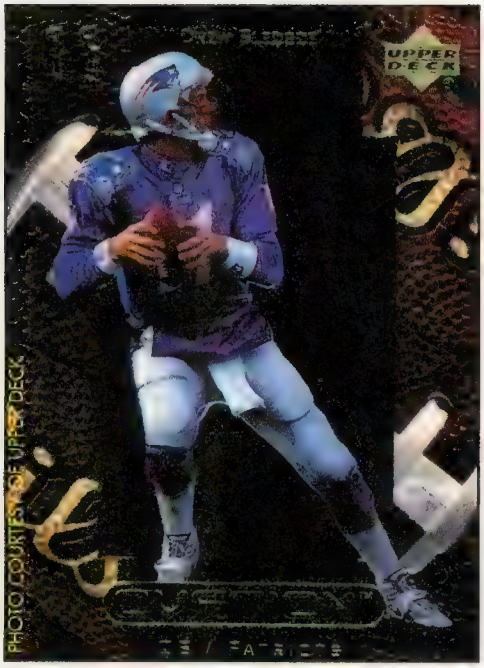
Catch Drew in action!



Are you ready for some football? Some Monday night football... that is? If so, then do we have the stats for you on your favorite football player, New England Patriots' quarterback, Drew Bledsoe.

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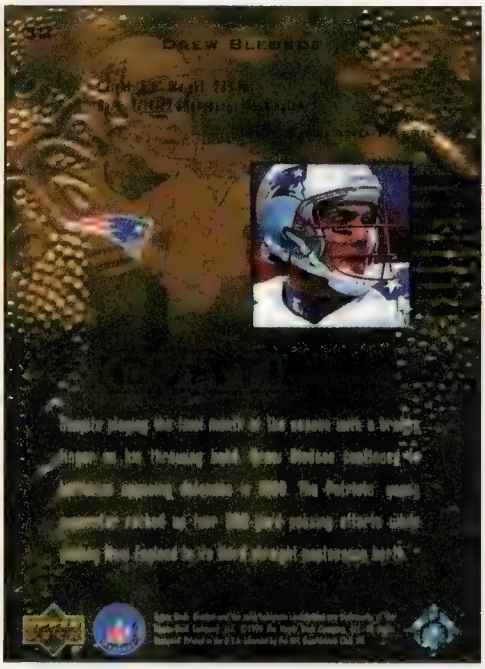

Drew became the first quarterback in NFL's history (in two consecutive games) to complete the game-winning touchdown pass in the final 30 seconds. Surprisingly, Drew was able to achieve heroic recognition from his fans when he threw a "come-from-behind" pass.

Why is Drew a hero? At the time, Drew was experiencing discomfort with his throwing hand and despite the pain he played these games with a broken index finger.

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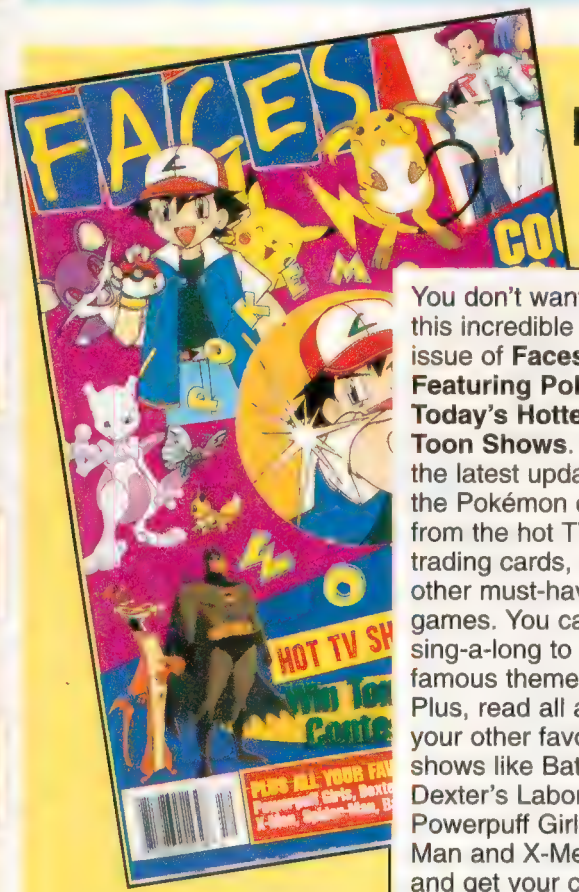

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By Carrie Fascia

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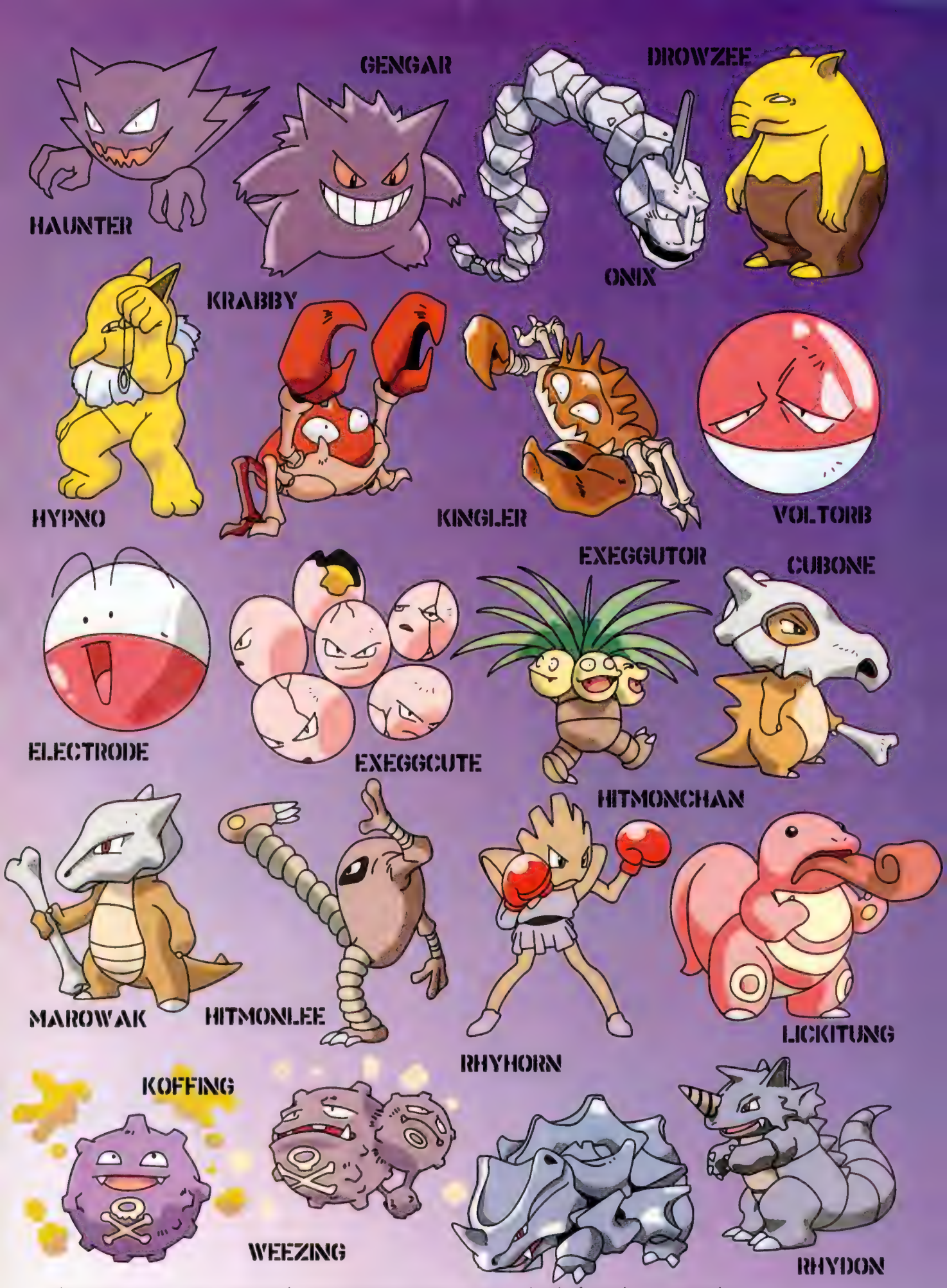

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POKÉMON TRADING CARD TIPS

As we've reported in past issues, there are some misguided people out there who insist on ripping off the hard earned dollars of children and their parents by manufacturing fake Pokémon Cards. Well, we've gotten a little more information about these so-called knock-offs and we want to share that information with you so your hard earned dollars won't be taken by some thief in the night.

Pokémon Card imitations are found most frequently when the cards are sold loose and out of the packaging. So the first thing you should do is only buy your Pokémon Game Cards by the pack. But, should you happen to pass a loose, rare Pokemon card, selling at a great price, here are some things to look out for when buying loose cards:

The coloring on loose imitation cards is terrible. That's why these people are crooks, they don't know how to produce quality merchandise. If the card's color seems faded or not as bright as all your other cards, odds are, it's not real. Nintendo uses the most advanced computer coloring systems when manufacturing Pokémon Cards. Imitators don't rely on the same technology Nintendo does, that's why their cards don't shine as bright as the real ones do.

Basic Pokémon
Rhyhorn
70 HP
Spikes Pokémon. Length: 3' 3", Weight: 254 lbs.
Leer Flip a coin. If heads, the Defending Pokémon can't attack Rhyhorn during your opponent's next turn. (Benching either Pokemon ends this effect.)
Horn Attack
30
weakness
resistance
-30
retreat cost
Its massive bones are 1,000 times harder than human bones. It can easily knock a trailer flying.

Basic Pokémon
Weedle
40 HP
Hairy Bug Pokemon. Length: 1' 0", Weight: 7 lbs.
Poison Sting Flip a coin. If heads, the Defending Pokémon is now Poisoned.
10
weakness
resistance
retreat cost
Often found in forests, eating leaves. It has a sharp, venomous stinger on its head.

If you're not willing to give up a card, don't put it on the trading table. Play safe and be smart

The next thing to look for on the cards is the font and the font size. For those of you who are unfamiliar with technical terminology, fonts are text styles used by computer designers. Font sizes refer to how big each letter of text is. Fake Pokémon Cards have smaller font sizes than real Pokémon Cards. So if you're having a hard time reading your new card, it's probably a fake.

The last thing to watch out for is the price on loose Pokémon Cards. Anything collectible is only worth as much as the buyer is willing to spend. Sure, retailers put a price tag that is often way beyond someone's budget. They do this because they know that it's not beyond someone's budget who can afford it. If you can, haggle with the store's owner or manager about the price of a card. If he's not willing to budge, maybe that card isn't for you. And as far as trading cards go. If you're not willing to give up a card, don't put it on the trading table. And if some bigger kids tries to take a card from you, yell for help right away! Play safe and be smart.

DON'T GET FOOLED BY FAKE CARDS

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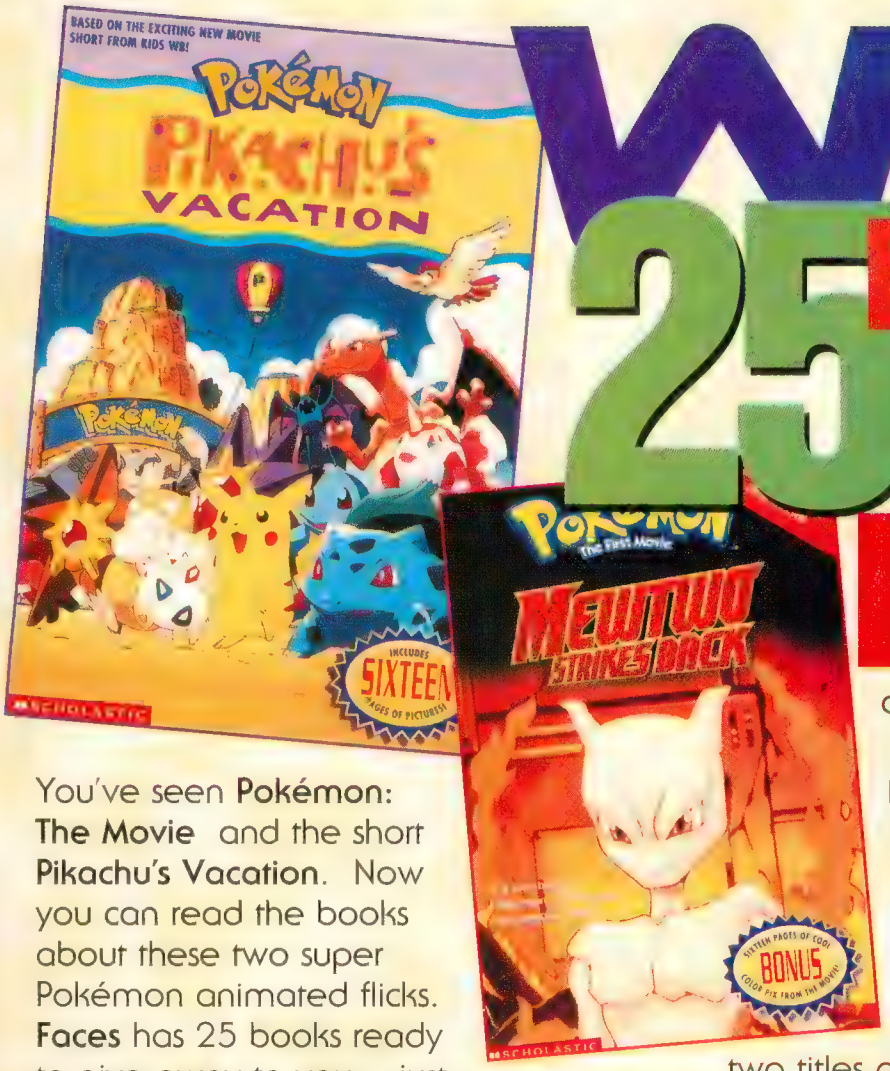

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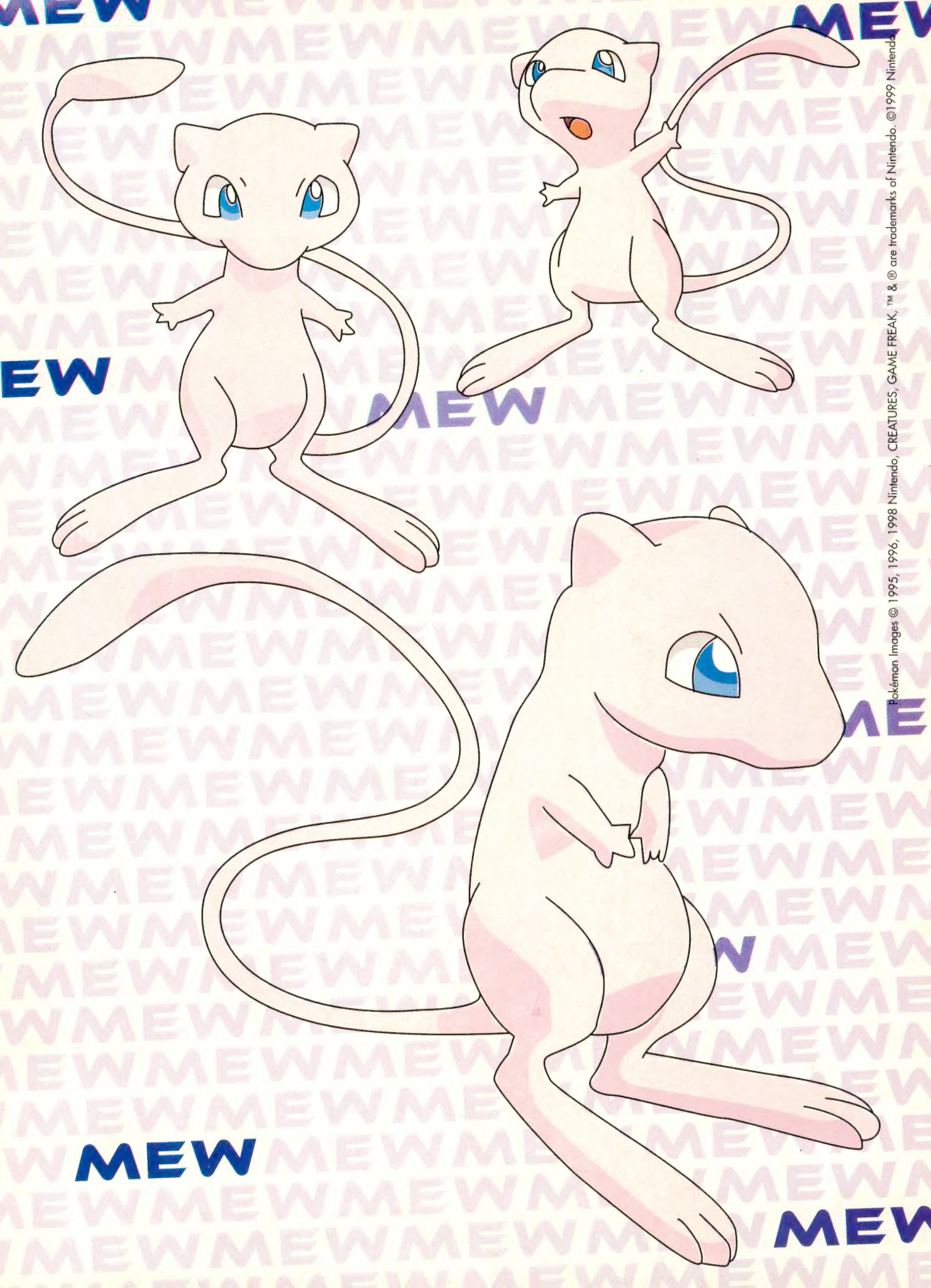
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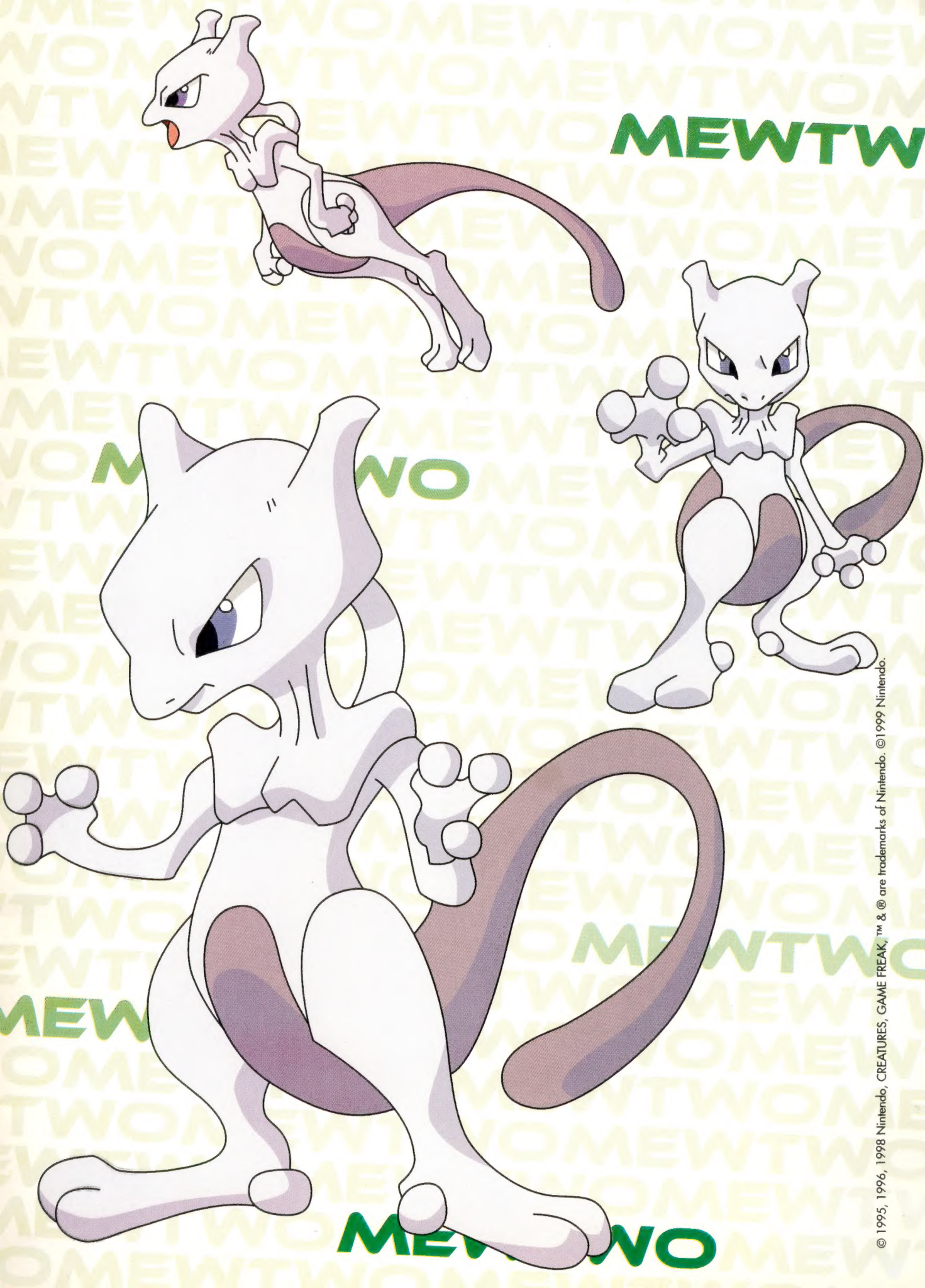

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